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## Advisory Action

This office action is in response to Applicant's proposed amendment and response <u>after FINAL</u> filed on May 28, 2008.

Applicant's remarks/arguments filed May 28, 2008 <u>after FINAL</u> with respect to the rejections made under 35 USC 102(b) and 35 USC 103(a) have been fully considered but are not found to be persuasive.

Applicant argues that Miyamoto et al. do not mention an anti-coagulant composition. "Anti-coagulant' is considered an inherent property of the composition.

Applicant argues that EDA(+)FN is not composed of glucose, glucuronic acid, and rhamnose. The rejection is based upon Miyamoto's teachings on gellan sulfate and not on EDA(+)FN. Applicant's argument is not relevant.

Applicant argues that the polysaccharide of Miyamoto et al. is not hydrolyzed, and that hydrolysis produces a polysaccharide of lower molecular weight than one which has not been subjected to hydrolysis. This argument was addressed in the final office action dated November 29, 2007.

All rejections of record in the Final Office Action dated November 29, 2007 are maintained.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Layla Bland whose telephone number is (571) 272-9572. The examiner can normally be reached on T-F 9:00-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Anna Jiang can be reached on (571) 272-0627. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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